COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ADJUSTMENT OF RATES OF GTE SOUTH INCORPORATED

) CASE NO. 10117

ORDER

On December 8, 1988, GTE South Incorporated ("GTE") filed a motion requesting confidential treatment of its responses to Items 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, and 31 of the Commission information order dated November 21, 1988 as modified November 30, 1988. Items 23, 24, and 25 relate to intraLATA toll revenues, expenses, investment, and contribution. Items 29, 30, and 31 relate to interLATA access revenues, expenses, investment, and contribution.

In support of its petition, GTE states that it should not be required to release intraLATA toll information which may become subject to competition as a result of the Commission's investigation in Administrative Case No. 323, An Inquiry Into IntraLATA Toll Competition, an Appropriate Compensation Scheme for Completion of IntraLATA Calls by Interexchange Carriers, And WATS Jurisdictionality. GTE contends that release of such toll information would place it at a competitive disadvantage if intraLATA competition is authorized.

GTE seeks confidential status for information related to interLATA access services because the disclosure of such information to carriers could permit extrapolation of information

which is confidential with respect to all other carriers. Also, should GTE be permitted to provide intraLATA services in the future, the disclosure of this information would cause competitive harm to GTE.

GTE contends that it has carefully guarded the confidentiality of this information regarding intraLATA toll and interLATA access.

The Commission, being advised, is of the opinion and finds that the petition for confidential treatment of certain items filed December 8, 1988 should be granted. The Commission is also of the opinion that GTE should file within 10 days of the date of this Order a copy of its responses which is appropriate for inclusion in the public record, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7(3)(b).

BE IT SO ORDERED.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 12th day of January, 1989.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director